

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 5379

C O N F I D E N T I A L

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MANAGUA 0166

EO: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, CASC, NU  
SUBJ: AMCITS LODGED IN MANAGUA CHANCERY PERMITTED TO LEAVE COUNTRY

1. AMBASSADOR SOUGHT AND WAS GRANTED APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT SOMOZA AT MOTELIMAR AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 14 TO DISCUSS CASE OF FIVE AMERICANS LODGED IN CHANCERY. AFTER PRESIDENT HEARD AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION, HE SAID THAT THERE WERE NO CHARGES AGAINST ANY OF THE FIVE AND THAT THEY WERE FREE TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AT THEIR CONVENIENCE. HE SUGGESTED EMBASSY BE IN TOUCH WITH OFFICE OF NATIONAL SECURITY (OSN), WHICH WOULD ENSURE UNIMPEDED EXIT OF THE FIVE.

2. EMBASSY MADE CONTACT WITH OSN AFTER AMBASSADOR'S RETURN TO MANAGUA AND LEARNED THAT PRESIDENT'S POSITION WAS ALREADY KNOWN AND THAT APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS WOULD BE ISSUED.

3. FIVE ARE NOW TRYING TO BOOK SEATS ON ANY INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT LEAVING ON JANUARY 15. PANAM TO MIAMI VIA GUATEMALA CITY DEPARTS MANAGUA AT 9:00 A.M. LOCAL AND IS LIKELY POSS-  
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IBILITY. THE FIVE INTEND TO SPEND NIGHT OF JANUARY 14 IN CHANCERY, AFTER WHICH SOGUUN#SHERATON WILL CLOSE ITS DOORS AS A HOSTELRY, WE HOPE FOR A LONG TIME.

4. CONSULAR OFFICER WILL BE AT AIRPORT ONLY TO OBSERVE GROUP  
AS THEY DEPART THE COUNTRY.

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NOTE BY OC/T: # AS RECEIVED.

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